

STOP WORK UNTIL CONGRESS MEETS

Reported That Appropriation for Panama Canal Has Been Exhausted.

STATEMENT BY COMMISSION

Declares That Balance of \$2,816,713 Will Last Until January.

(By Associated Press.) PANAMA, August 17.—It is currently reported here that the suspension of engineering operations on the canal is owing to the exhaustion of the congressional appropriation, although the reason officially given is that the suspension is due to the desirability of undertaking the improvement of sanitary conditions in the zone.

A resumption of operations is not expected until Congress meets.

WASHINGTON, August 17.—One of the first important tasks awaiting Mr. B. H. B. when he assumed the presidency of the isthmian Canal Commission was the conservation of the balance remaining of the appropriation of ten million dollars so as to guard against a stoppage of the work on canal building. It was found that the work could be steadily prosecuted until Congress, at the next regular session, should have ample opportunity to provide more funds. The balance on hand, amounting to \$7,124,668, was divided into monthly allotments, which have so far been closely adhered to, save in the case of the purchase of two ships. Thus the commission has, it believes, avoided the necessity of availing itself of the privilege granted by Congress of issuing bonds to meet expenditures.

The commission to-day issued a statement saying that the average expenditure on the Panama Canal had been about \$450,000 a month, and that there was a balance of \$2,816,713 on hand, or enough to last until January 1st.

A GENIAL RAILROAD MAN.

Mr. Arthur G. Lewis Cordially Received By Richmond Friends.

Mr. Arthur G. Lewis, southern passenger agent for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, sometime poet, philosopher, raconteur, bon vivant and a gentleman of the world, was in Richmond yesterday supervising the execution of a party of Richmond people to Niagara Falls. The party, which is in charge of Miss Belle Elyson, of Richmond, left yesterday evening over the York River line to go thence over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Mr. Lewis had arranged to hold the party at the hotel for a few minutes, so that the excursionists might not miss their connection. This act of courtesy was greatly appreciated by the passengers.

Mr. Lewis, who is nothing if not a lover of man, took time to pay flying visits to some of his numerous friends in the city, all of whom gave him a cordial welcome. While here Mr. Lewis received the following story on himself.

He happened to be in Alexandria many years ago. From there he had to go to Danville on business, and seeing that the following day he was to be in the city, he decided to go by the Virginia Midland, on the street, struck him for a pass to the desired point.

Mr. Barlow was agreeable and asked Mr. Lewis for a card upon which to write out the desired order. The latter searched all his pockets, turned John inside out, gave himself a general shake-up, but no card was to be found. Becoming impatient, the quick-witted Barbour suggested that the conductor, who was writing across the immaculate linen, "Pass Arthur G. Lewis to Danville." (Signed) John S. Barbour. When Mr. Lewis encountered the conductor, the latter proceeded to take up the card. Mr. Lewis made strenuous objection; but the irate conductor was adamant, insisting that he must have something to show for the fare. The matter finally resolving itself into a case of get out and walk or get the other thing, the official got the card. "Huh," sniffed the conductor, "wrote the pass on your cuff because you had nothing else convenient, eh? There's no reason for you to complain. If he had written it on your shirt front, you'd have had to come out of that shirt just the same."

WILL USE ARMOY.

Farmers' Convention Will Be Held There.

The Grounds and Buildings Committee met in regular session at 8 o'clock last night. The Council was also called for a special session at the same hour, and waited for the members of the committee to complete their work.

Mr. James T. Diney, from the Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the committee and presented a request from Colonel John Murphy, representing the joint Committee on Agriculture and Conventions of the Chamber of Commerce, for the use of the Army for the National Farmers' Congress, from the 12th to the 22d of September.

In a letter to the committee, Colonel John Wayne Anderson gave his consent for the use of the Army for this purpose. The request was granted.

Mrs. W. H. Harton, president of the Bazaar Committee of St. Peter's Cathedral, petitioned for the use of the Army for the purpose of holding a bazaar from the 2d to the 14th. This was referred

to Colonel Anderson and the City Engineer, with authority to act.

Park-keeper Calder, of the Reservoir, reported that, pursuant to instructions from the city officials, he had purchased one dozen ducks for the lake. The bill for \$2.00 was ordered paid.

An officer will be kept at Riverside Park, Councilman Adams offering a resolution to this effect in the meeting.

MR. WILEY'S WORK.

Four Hundred at Tent Meeting Last Night.

An attentive audience of four hundred people assembled last night about 8 o'clock under the large tent at the corner of Twentieth and Grace Streets and listened to a sermon on "Sowing and Reaping" by Rev. George H. Wiley, of the Nineteenth Street Methodist Mission. The text was taken from Paul's Epistle to the Galatians. Rev. Mr. Wiley spoke with much earnestness, and the audience was converted and asked for the prayers of the congregation.

A special feature was the singing of Mrs. William Bailey, who rendered with feeling the hymn "Will There Be Any Stars in My Crown?"

Increased interest has been manifested in these meetings, and Rev. Mr. Wiley deserves the commendation he is receiving in his missionary work.

Operate On An Infant.

The two-day-old son of Mr. W. N. Vaughan, Goulden, Hanover county, Virginia, was taken to the Memorial Hospital yesterday by Mr. W. Meredith, and was operated on. The infant's condition is fairly satisfactory.

Editor Levy Here.

Mr. John B. Levy, managing editor of the Baltimore Journal of Commerce, is in the city. Mr. Levy and his staff are gathering data for a special edition of the Journal of the Southern States, and will devote considerable space to Richmond.

Buy's Cary Street Dwelling.

Mr. August Simonetti, head of the August Grocery Company in Richmond, yesterday purchased the two buildings at 127 and 129 West Cary Street. The purchase price was \$2,800.

Surprise Wedding.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LAHORE, VA., August 17.—The marriage of Miss Fannie C. Coleman, of Orange, was a great surprise to friends and relatives. Nobody knew it until Will, with Parson DeLoach, went to the home of the popular young lady Tuesday evening, and in the presence of the family claimed his bride. They left at once on the evening train North, where an extended tour is contemplated.

Will Not Visit Tennessee.

(By Associated Press.) KNOXVILLE, TENN., August 17.—Thomas R. Price, president of the Chamber of Commerce, through which body an invitation was extended President Roosevelt to visit Knoxville on his Southern tour, is in receipt of a letter stating that the President's Southern trip has been planned with a view of visiting the principal cities of only those States not included in previous tours. The President will have no time to visit Tennessee, says Price.

Charles City Schools.

WESTOVER, VA., Aug. 17.—The County School Board met at the courthouse Tuesday night, in session for only those States not included in previous tours. The President will have no time to visit Tennessee, says Price.

DECLARE WAR ON "STAND-PATTERS"

Governor Cummins Makes Fiery Speech at Session of Reciprocity Conference.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, ILL., August 17.—The Reciprocity Conference, called to devise means of bettering the trade relations between the United States and foreign countries, finished its work to-day, arranged for a committee of fifteen to prosecute the plans of the convention, and formed a permanent organization, to be styled the American Reciprocal Tariff League. The committee will be appointed by the chair, with full power to organize and promote the work for which the convention assembled.

The resolutions adopted recommend a maximum and minimum tariff as a means of relieving the situation with which the country is confronted, and suggest that such reciprocal concessions be arranged by a permanent tariff commission, to be created by Congress and to be appointed by the President. The principal speaker of to-day's session was Governor A. B. Cummins, of Iowa, who, in a speech full of fire and eloquence, hurled defiance at the enemies of reciprocity. Other speakers to-day were Edward Rosewater, of Omaha; former Mayor W. C. Maybury, of Detroit; and A. B. Farquhar, of Pennsylvania.

Declaration of a political war on the "stand-patters" in Congress and throughout the country was demanded by Governor Cummins in his speech.

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INDUSTRIAL CLUB GETTING TO WORK

Planning New Building and Loan Association for North Carolina Capital.

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Arrangements Being Made for Visit of President—Story of Twin Brothers.

Remainder of the Times-Dispatch.

RALEIGH, N. C., August 17.—The Raleigh Industrial Club at a meeting held last night, decided to organize at once a new building and loan association modeled after those working so successfully at Charlotte, Asheville, Winston-Salem, Wilmington and elsewhere in the State. It will be chartered within the next few days.

The club is also taking steps looking to inducing the government to include the whole of Wake county in the topographical survey now in progress. Senator Simmons and Congressman Poir have been called upon to co-operate.

Another illicit distillery was destroyed Tuesday night in Johnston county, making more than a score that have been destroyed in the county by the revenue officers within a year. The last one was in Raleigh township.

Remarkable Coincidence.

Twin brothers, with twin names, both Baptist preachers, pastors of twin churches in the same city, and one of them the father of twin daughters, present the remarkable coincidence existing in Raleigh just now. The brothers are Rev. Thomas Joseph Watts and Rev. Joseph Thomas Watts, sons of the late "Squire" Watts, of this city. Their churches are in Louisville, Ky.

A large force of hands is at work putting Hillsboro road in order for the tremendous travel that will go over it during the week of the great State Fair, October 18th to 21st. It is a macadam road, and is being thoroughly repaired. During the fair week sprinklers will be operated over it constantly for the comfort of the many thousands of visitors.

People in Ashland.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ASHLAND, VA., August 17.—A merry party of young people had a pleasant ride on Wednesday night, chartered by Mr. Lytle Rice, oldest son of Mr. Samuel Rice, has accepted a position in Asheville, N. C.

Mr. Richard Carr is reported quite sick, and as his mother is away recuperating, he will probably be taken to a hospital in the city.

Pittsylvania Weddings.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHATHAM, VA., August 17.—Tuesday afternoon at the bride's home, near Hollywood, Miss Florence Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown, of Huntington, W. Va., were married. Rev. A. L. of the Chatham Baptist Church performed the ceremony, which was witnessed by a small gathering of friends.

Not long after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ashworth left for Huntington. The groom is engaged in the mercantile business.

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The bride was given away by her father, Mr. William C. Hill, and the groom was escorted by his brother, Mr. William C. Hill, Jr.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Hill, of the Presbyterian church in Brambleton. The presence of the relatives and most intimate friends of the contracting parties. The bride was dressed in white and carried a bouquet of white flowers.

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that county from being shipped north of the James River. Over five hundred cattle were examined north of the county courthouse, and no infection was found. It was discovered south of the courthouse. The result of the trip will be that a recommendation will be made that owners north of the courthouse be permitted to ship their cattle to the protected districts after having a certificate from the veterinarian that the stock is not infected. This virtually takes about one-third of Campbell county out of the prohibited district and will undoubtedly destroy Lynchburg as a market for beef cattle from counties in the quarantine.

Taylor-Carney.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., August 17.—The marriage this afternoon in the Churchland Baptist Church of Miss Elizabeth Katharine Carney to Walter Taylor, of the U. S. M. C. was one of the most brilliant ever occurring in this vicinity. The church was beautifully decorated with white flowers, and the altar was adorned with American flags. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Taylor, of the Churchland Baptist Church. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. Walter Taylor, and the groom was escorted by his brother, Mr. Walter Taylor, Jr.

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Billard-Irvine.

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